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SUBJECT: U.S. COMMENTS ON NORWEGIAN SEVEN-COUNTRY

NONPROLIFERATION INITIATIVE

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U.S. comments on Norway's Seven-Country Nonproliferation Initiative (reftel) were delivered July 26 to French MFA nonproliferation desk officer Arnaud Mentre. In a follow-up conversation on July 28, Mentre said that the GOF appreciated the comments, noting that the tone was respectful yet prudent. He said that he had read the Norweigan proposal and U.S. comments side-by-side, with special attention paid to the U.S. concern that nonproliferation be made more prominent (rather than disarmament) and that Fissile Material Control Treaty negotiations take place immediately.

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